

Message

From: Rachel Edwards [rachele@nezperce.org]
Sent: 7/12/2019 10:04:16 PM
To: Cerise, Kathy [Cerise.Kathryn@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Yes – our offices are located at 100 Agency Road, Lapwai. We are easy to find – near the high school football/track field and to the right of the Pi Nee Waus Community Center. (We are connected by a breezeway). Thank you, Rachel

From: Cerise, Kathy <Cerise.Kathryn@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 2:53 PM
To: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>
Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Hi Rachel,

Can you provide your address so that I can provide it to staff that are attending?

Thanks

Kathy

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From: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 2:07 PM
To: Shaw, Hanh <Shaw.Hanh@epa.gov>
Cc: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>; Wilson, Wenona <Wilson.Wenona@epa.gov>; Cerise, Kathy <Cerise.Kathryn@epa.gov>; Shannon Wheeler <shannonw@nezperce.org>; Mike Lopez <mlopez@nezperce.org>
Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Hanh – this is in follow-up of our phone conversation. We will schedule EPA on the August 27th NPTEC Agenda at 9:30 a. m. We will block an hour and a half for discussion regarding both the Stibnite issue and the Human Health criteria. It is understood that it may take longer than the time allotted to discuss both issues which is not a problem.

Please contact me if there are any additional questions and/or concerns. Thank you, Rachel

From: Shaw, Hanh <Shaw.Hanh@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 12:36 PM
To: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>
Cc: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>; Wilson, Wenona <Wilson.Wenona@epa.gov>; Cerise, Kathy <Cerise.Kathryn@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Hi Rachel, alternatively we can meet with the NPTEC first thing in the morning of 8/27. We are tentatively planning to travel to the Kalispel Tribe that afternoon, so a meeting starting at 9:00am would be ideal. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Hanh

From: Shaw, Hanh
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 9:37 AM
To: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>
Cc: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>; Wilson, Wenona <Wilson.Wenona@epa.gov>; Cerise, Kathy <Cerise.Kathryn@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Rachel,

I just left you a voice message. I am sorry for any confusion caused by the different EPA programs reaching out to you to schedule a meeting with the NPTEC. The meeting the EPA is requesting pertains to two topics: (1) Stibnite Mine Superfund Site and (2) the Washington Human Health Criteria.

If possible, we would like to combine both topics during the meeting on August 27. Provided the Chairman is amenable, we could also increase the duration of the meeting to ensure sufficient time to cover all the issues.

Thank you,
Hanh

From: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 8:43 AM
To: Shaw, Hanh <Shaw.Hanh@epa.gov>
Cc: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>; Wilson, Wenona <Wilson.Wenona@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

This request has been received via this email, one from Kathy Cerise and a voicemail as well. August 27th is a set NPTEC Meeting date. Your request for a late agenda time will be forwarded to the Chairman for approval. We will be in touch next week. Thank you.

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From: Shaw, Hanh <Shaw.Hanh@epa.gov>
Sent: Friday, July 12, 2019 8:20 AM
To: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>
Cc: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>; Wilson, Wenona <Wilson.Wenona@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Good morning, Rachel,

I apologize for taking so long to follow up. Would Chairman Wheeler and the Nez Perce Tribal Council be available to meet with Regional Administrator Chris Hladick on Tuesday, August 27? I am not sure when the regularly scheduled council meetings occur, but hoping that we could arrange to be there from 3:00-4:30pm.

Please let me know if a meeting date on 8/27 would be possible. Thank you for your assistance with scheduling a meeting between the EPA and Tribal Leadership and I look forward to hearing from you soon.

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From: Shaw, Hanh
Sent: Friday, June 28, 2019 1:56 PM
To: rachele@nezperce.org
Cc: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>; Wilson, Wenona <Wilson.Wenona@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Dear Rachele,

I would like to express my sincere thanks to Chairman Wheeler and the Nez Perce Tribe for agreeing to meet with Regional Administrator Chris Hladick despite the concerns expressed in the June 20, 2019 letter. With regret, I am writing to inform you that a conflict has arisen in Mr. Hladick's schedule and he is unable to travel to Lapwai on July 9, 2019.

I apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused and will be in communication with you again soon to reschedule the meeting. Please relay our apologies to the Chairman, Tribal Council and staff.

Best regards,

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From: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>
Sent: Thursday, June 20, 2019 12:05 PM
To: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>
Cc: Shannon Wheeler <shannonw@nezperce.org>
Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Matthew – attached is a letter forwarded earlier today to Administrator Hladick regarding consultation. Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you, Rachel

From: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 2:10 PM
To: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>

Cc: Shaw, Hanh <Shaw.Hanh@epa.gov>; Wilson, Wenona <Wilson.Wenona@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

No problem, thanks for the update.

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From: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>

Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 12:29 PM

To: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Matthew – please accept my apologies but will not have confirmation for you until tomorrow. Thank you, Rachel

From: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 4:32 PM

To: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>

Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Thanks Rachel, please keep me posted.

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From: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>

Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 3:29 PM

To: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>

Subject: RE: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Matthew – I received your voice mail regarding July 9th. I am waiting to speak with the Chairman to confirm which probably won't happen until tomorrow morning.

Thank you, Rachel

From: Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>

Sent: Tuesday, June 18, 2019 3:57 PM

To: Rachel Edwards <rachele@nezperce.org>

Cc: Shaw, Hanh <Shaw.Hanh@epa.gov>; Wilson, Wenona <Wilson.Wenona@epa.gov>

Subject: Consultation regarding WA human health criteria

Hi Rachel,

I wanted to follow up on my voicemail today regarding scheduling government-to-government consultation on EPA's decisions on Washington's human health criteria. Again, I apologize for the extremely short notice for scheduling, but we are attempting to travel out to consult with each tribe that has requested consultation on this matter. The expedited schedule is important so we can provide the tribe's input to the Administrator before a proposal to withdraw the federal rule is considered and signed.

Regional Administrator Chris Hladick is available to travel out to your headquarters to consult with your tribal leadership and staff on **Tuesday, July 9 from 10:30-12:00.**

We understand this specific time and date may not be feasible for the tribe. If it cannot work, we can work together to determine options that will work for both the tribe and EPA, either before the proposed rule is considered and signed or in the period after that, before consideration and signature of the final rule.

Thank you,

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